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MEMORANDUM TO: The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Stand-By National Censorship Agreement

1. This memorandum contains in its fourth paragraph a recommendation that you sign the attached Stand-By National Censorship Agreement, the addendum thereto, and the proposed letter of transmittal of same to The Honorable Gordon Gray, Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization.

2. A Master Plan for National Censorship has been prepared by the Interagency Committee on National Censorship Planning, on which we have representation. This plan provides that, in the event national censorship is invoked, operational telecommunications, postal, and travelers censorship will be exercised initially by the Department of Defense. It will be assumed thereafter by the Office of Censorship which will be brought into being as a wartime agency after the declaration of an emergency.

3. The agreement transmitted herewith, signed by Mr. Gray, as Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization and on behalf of the Office of Censorship, and by The Honorable Neil McElroy, Secretary of Defense, and the addendum attached thereto, delineate provisions of the understanding between their respective organizations and this Agency and identify the responsibilities and obligations of the parties in the carrying out of national censorship. It is believed that the agreement is proper in all respects and that it covers adequately the interests of this Agency. The drawing of the agreement has been coordinated continuously with appropriate representatives of our major components since the outset of the negotiations.

4. It is recommended that you affix your signature to all copies of the agreement and to the addendum thereto, and that you sign also the letter of transmittal by which three of the four copies will be returned to Mr. Gray.

CONCURRENCES:

L. K. White
Deputy Director (Support)

See memo. from DD/P
Deputy Director (Plans)

Date: 5 March 1958

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Deputy Director (Intelligence)

Date: FEB 24 1958

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